

REMARKS

The Office Action mailed December 30, 2008, has been carefully considered. The present Amendment is intended to be a complete response thereto and to place the case in condition for allowance.

Claims 77-81, 83-89, 99, 122, 198, and 225 are pending. Claims 1-76, 82, 90-98, 100-121, 123-197, 199-224, and 226 have been cancelled.

THE CLAIMS ARE NOT OBVIOUS

Claims 159, 163, 168, 201 and their dependent claims stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being obvious over Kenneally et al. (WO 99/24387). Claims 169, 170, and their dependent claims stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being obvious over Turck (US 2002/0156305). The rejections are moot because the rejected claims have been cancelled.

THE CLAIMS ARE ALLOWABLE

Pending claim 77 and its dependent claims 78-81, 83-89, 99, 122, 198, and 225 are free of any rejection or objection. Therefore, those claims should be allowable.

CONCLUSION

Applicants have responded to the Office Action mailed December 30, 2008. All pending claims are now believed to be allowable and favorable action is respectfully requested.

In the event that there are any questions relating to this Amendment or to the application in general, it would be appreciated if the Examiner would telephone the undersigned attorney concerning such questions so that the prosecution of this application may be expedited.

Please charge any shortage or credit any overpayment of fees to BLANK ROME LLP, Deposit Account No. 23-2185 (131655-00101). In the event that a petition for an extension of time is required to be submitted herewith and in the event that a separate petition does not accompany this response, Applicants hereby petition under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) for an extension of time.

Any fees due are authorized above.

Respectfully submitted,

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